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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Montpelier: Wheels and Waves Opiate Use Disorder Treatment project in Fiscal Year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Behavioral Health Network of Vermont Inc., dba Vermont Care Network, located at 137 Elm Street, Montpelier, Vermont, 05602.

The funding would be used for 400 Vermonters in 8 opiate treatment programs, to supply them with secure medication dispensing wheels and a smart phone app that enables them to use video technology instead of traveling six days per week to be observed for buprenorphine observed dosing. The project reduces the risk of opiate overdose deaths and uses innovative use of telehealth in rural areas to address this health issue.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family member has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Peter Welch

Member of Congress